

Candidate Statement of Qualifications

(Elections Code sections 13307, 13309, 13311)

CITY OF LODI

Instructions to Candidate:

- This statement may include your age, occupation and a brief description of your education and qualifications.
- Statements must be **TYPED** either on this form or printed separately and adhered to this form for filing.
- Type statement according to the following rules:
 - Type statement in **upper & lower case**.
 - **No BOLD, UNDERLINES, OR ITALICS** may be used.
 - Statements must be in **block paragraph form**.
 - **No bullets, stars or asterisks** are allowed.
 - **Tables or lists** of items or phrases should **NOT** be vertical or indented, but must be strung together in paragraph format.
 - Statement will be no more than 200 words in length.
- The elections official will correct any statement, which does not conform to the rules above, in order to assure all statements have uniformity of appearance.
- Despite formatting changes mentioned above, **your statement will be printed exactly as submitted by you**. Check carefully for errors in spelling, punctuation, and grammar before filing. **The Registrar of Voters office will not correct errors in the statement.**

ESTIMATED COST OF STATEMENT: \$ 1,250.00 (English and Spanish)

TO BE PAID BY (circle one):

CANDIDATE

DISTRICT

ELECTION DESCRIPTION: Lodi City Council election *General municipal Election*

OFFICE TITLE: Lodi City Council Member

NAME: Susan Hitchcock AGE: (Optional)

Occupation:

(Optional – May be more descriptive than what will appear on the ballot)

Elementary School Principal, Lodi unified School District

Education and Qualifications:

(Statement and word count begin here)

see attached

Attach statement to this form.

I declare that I prepared the above statement, which is to be printed in a voter pamphlet and mailed to each registered voter in my district. I further state that if the cost of printing is the responsibility of the candidate, I will pay for my prorated cost of the statement at such time as instructed by the elections official.

Susan Hitchcock

Print Name

Susan Hitchcock

Signature of Candidate

CANDIDATE'S STATEMENT FORM for Jurisdiction: City of Lodi

(Title of Office): City Councilmember

Susan Hitchcock

Occupation: Elementary School Principal, Lodi Unified School District

Education and qualifications:

MA in Education, UOP; BS in Business Administration/Finance, CSUS

Preserving "livable, lovable Lodi's" quality-of-life and safe small-town character is essential. City goals and priorities must be founded on balanced community input and long-range visioning to assure every citizen receives quality affordable services.

The Lodi-Stockton Greenbelt must be our highest priority to preserve Lodi's community identity, conserve agricultural land, protect open-space and grow our wine-based economy. Growth should meet the needs of families while preserving our unique character and environment.

Carefully managed, responsible, growth ensures new development pays its own way, addresses housing affordability and guarantees neighborhood schools are built for children.

A conservative approach to the City budget with strong Council oversight and accountability is mandatory. Policies should promote an efficient and financially healthy city.

Public trust is created when Councilmembers do the public's business openly and honestly, listen respectfully to all points of view, think critically, exercise common sense, and ask the hard, difficult questions. The strength to stand-alone for beliefs that commit to the values and best interest of the community is crucial.

It is my honor to serve as your Councilmember; I respectfully ask for your support in my re-election.

CANDIDATE'S STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATION DECLARATION



I, Susan Hitchcock, candidate for the office of
Print Name
Lodi City Council, understand
Name of Office/District

1. Candidate statements not conforming to the Candidate Statement Guidelines will be reformatted and set in uniform type by the elections official. The San Joaquin County Registrar of Voters bears no responsibility for the correct typesetting of statements, which must be reformatted. Statements not conforming to guidelines will be reformatted into one single paragraph.
2. The San Joaquin County Registrar of Voters will not correct spelling and/or grammar inaccuracies on my candidate's statement. The statement will be printed **exactly** as it is submitted.
3. The cost for the candidate statement is an approximation of the actual cost that varies from one election to another election and may be significantly more or less than the estimate, depending on the actual number of candidates filing statements. Accordingly, the election official may, on a pro rata basis bill the candidate for additional actual expense or refund any excess paid depending on the final actual cost.

Susan Hitchcock
Candidate's signature

8/2/06
Date

SUBMIT THIS FORM WITH THE CANDIDATE'S STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS